

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the abstract beginning on page 51 with the following amended paragraph:

An apparatus for controlling an electronic equipment for vehicles ~~comprises detection means for detecting the commencement of.~~ The apparatus detects a condition of use of a vehicle which employs an electronic equipment for vehicles. The control means is operative to cause and causes the electronic equipment to be put in [[a]] standby condition from which the electronic equipment can be immediately shifted into a normally operating condition ~~when the commencement of the condition of use of the vehicle is detected by the detection means.~~

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